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In re Patent Application of:
Thomas Jaskiewicz

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR HOST BASED
STORAGE VIRTUALIZATION

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir/Madam:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated February 12, 2004 (Paper No. 2), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.